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ReBulet 10/3/58, to Miami with copies to Havana and Cleveland offices. (u)

Enclosed are four copies of a photograph taken from a leaflet submitted to this office by Lieutenant Roberto Vila (conceal), investigating agent for the Cuban Army Military Intelligence Service (SIM). According to Lieutenant Vila, this leaflet was published by the Directorio Revolucionario, which is the insurrectionary group fighting in the Escambray Mountains in Cuba. The caption under the photograph, of which copies are enclosed, indicated that persons in the photograph were FAURE CHOMON, Head of the Directorio Revolucionario, Dr. ENRIQUE RODRIGUEZ LOECHER, ARMANDO FLEITES, LUIS BLANCA, and "the North American WILLIAM MORGAN." This caption did not specifically indicate which of the persons was MORGAN. (u)

It is suggested that these photographs be made available to the Miami and Cleveland offices for assistance in their investigation in this matter. (u)

Lieutenant Vila advised on October 28, 1958, that he has received no further information corroborating the report of subject's death. (u)

It is noted that a lead was set out for this office in Miami letter to the Bureau 8/14/58, suggesting that inquiries be made at the Sevilla Biltmore Hotel in Havana where subject was reported to have been a roommate of PETER KORENDA, an American tourist who was killed in the hotel room during the attack on the Presidential Palace on March 13, 1957. (u)

Frank Vidal, manager of the Sevilla Biltmore Hotel, advised on September 29, 1958, that a thorough review of his records failed to indicate that the subject or KORENDA had ever been registered at his hotel. (u)

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Records of the Welfare Unit of the U. S. Embassy, Havana, indicate that PETER KORENDA was actually a guest at the Regis Hotel in room 501 in Havana where he was killed on March 13, 1958. Mr. Roberto Sanchez, manager of the Regis Hotel, advised on October 2, 1958, that he was thoroughly familiar with the circumstances surrounding the death of KORENDA and advised he is certain that the subject was not with KORENDA at that time. He advised that records of his hotel failed to indicate that subject was ever a guest there. (X)(u)

Four extra copies of this letter are submitted to the Bureau for forwarding to the Miami (105-1563) and Cleveland offices. (u)

This office will continue to maintain contact with Lieutenant Vila and other logical sources for additional information on this case. (X)(u)

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